

Memo from
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NEUBERGER BERMAN

5/19/04

Dear Eric -

My son came over
to the house and rephotod
the 4f note.

The watermark is quite
clear -- and the "sworn"
endorsement also appears
to validate the piece.

All the Best -

Joe

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Dear Joe:

Thank you for the wonderful images.

Your son did a superb job.

Enclosed is an image of a \$20 Bk of NY
7/1/93 sold by stacks (an obvious counterfeit)
Now compare this to the \$50 in my book and
note the Seton and Verplanck signatures differ.
Can you find what signature ~~are~~ real in some
of the bank's records or otherwise or if both CTfs
make no attempt to come close.

I have never heard of ^{an actual} CT of the 4/18/86
NEW YORK STATE issue and yet the 7/18/88
legislation says they (genuine ones) were all recalled
to be replaced by the 7/18/88 issue. Would you be
able to look up in the newspapers and see if it
says more than the legislation? Could the legislation
have mixed up the Bank of NY issue with the
State issue as both have a £4 denomination.

You certainly have raised an interesting
issue with the watermarks.

Give me any of your further thoughts
as this is a puzzlement.

Eric

P.S. Your £4 Bank of NY bill is different from
the one pictured in my book. The signatures differ.
What was Isaac Roosevelt's signature really like.
Why was the denomination left out of the Shield on
the left side. Does the memo on the back mean
"heiried" when it says her?

BANK OF NEW YORK

I Promise to pay the BEARER on Demand,

FOUR POUNDS, in the Bill emitted

by the Act of the STATE of New-York, passed the
13th of April, 1786.

For the President, Directors, and Company
of the BANK of New-York.

James B. Roosevelt



endorsement on reverse

from Lasser
2004

Endorsement on reverse

This Bill was this 2^d. day of July
1790 sworn by Col^o. Mygott on
Stephen Thiel before me

Jas. Creek

Mr. Horton

454 3172

361 7313

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from
in 2004

Set Bank of New York

11/17/08

Dear Eric -

WOW !!

You remain remarkable.
Each edition builds on the past
and gives us a richer future.
Your ability to add breadth and
depth to American numismatic
knowledge leaves everyone else in
the field a mile behind.

And I have been especially
privileged to have you as my
guide, teacher and friend.

When I grow up, I want
to be Eric Newman.

As Ever -
Joe